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In re application of:

Frank Anderson  
Application No.: 10/612,280  
Filed: July 1, 2003  
For: ALUMINUM OXIDE CERAMIC  
COMPONENTS AND METHODS  
Customer No.: 20350

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and includes attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.